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Main Entry: **ther·a·peu·tic**

Pronunciation: - 'pyū-tik

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: Greek *therapeutikos*, from *therapeuein* to attend, treat, from *theraps* attendant

Date: 1646

1 : of or relating to the treatment of disease or disorders by remedial agents or methods <a *therapeutic* rather than a diagnostic specialty>

2 : providing or assisting in a cure : **CURATIVE, MEDICINAL**  
<*therapeutic* diets> <a *therapeutic* investigation of government waste>

- **ther·a·peu·ti·cal·ly** /-ti-k(&-)lē/ *adverb*

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